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Dancers keep traditions alive

Senior members of the Metelytsia Dance Ensemble keep Ukrainian traditions alive with their performance of the Transcarpathian Tanets at Saturday evening's Malanka celebration at the Arts and Leisure Centre.

Dancers portray four seasons

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Elk Point's Metelytsia Dance Ensemble celebrated Malanka with a lively romp through the year's four seasons at the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre on Saturday night, in the midst of an evening of dining and dancing.

Senior dancers Abby Baker, Kira Brunner, Madison MacDonald, Bryce Osinchuk, Jaden Plaska and Jessie Theriault started off the evening with a joyful Transcarpathian Tanets, before Baba (dance instructor Debbie Kachmar-Potter) shuffled through the door in overcoat, babushka and galoshes and proclaimed herself weary of winter. When she went to seek out a warming cup of tea and waited for Gido to return from bingo, two groups took over the stage.

The Beginners floated in as snowflakes for a charming and lighthearted dance, followed by the Junior II group who built and dressed a snow couple, who danced and had fun with them and with a winter fairy until the sun reduced the pair to a pile of old clothes.

Amber Gilbert, Cazmine Handy, Anna Henderson, Charlotte Henderson, Shyanné Klatt, Emma-May Nelson and Calei Penner make up the Beginner group, while Sadie Baker, Rhianna Bjorkman, Brooklyn Gochko, Kolbie Poitras, Charlie Rogal and Mykaela Verenka are part of the Junior II group.

As winter melted away, Baba got ready to plant her garden with carrots, potatoes, onions and garlic, and was barely out of sight when the rascally bunnies of the Junior I group, Austin Handy, Shaylyn Klatt, Avery Smereka, Dae Smereka, Laurny Smith and Rylee Verenka, sighted the fast-growing new plantings and made short work of the carrot patch in their delightful dance.

Summer came, and Baba, her feet in a washtub instead of the lake she was wishing for, reminisced about going fishing with Gido in earlier years. The Intermediate and Senior Boys took over the fishing poles in their dance, which included naps along the shore and a surprise encounter with a big black bear.

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First reading passed for new land use bylaw

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Elk Point Town Council gave first reading to the new Land Use Bylaw last week, after hearing a presentation by Dave Dittrick of Zap Consulting, who went through the document's revised draft and zoning map, as well as a revised draft of the town's Municipal Development Plan.

Among the changes to the Land Use Bylaw are provisions for the use of temporary structures such as tent garages and for the development of secondary suites, but, Dittrick said, "is the addition of a work camp policy."

Definitions of manufactured homes have been changed and the location of modular homes in R1 and R2 districts added, Dittrick said. The land use districts include an estate

or large lot district providing for lots up to one half acre.

"The industrial district has been tweaked and some permitted uses added," he noted.

For the gateway district, which includes the areas on both sides of Highway 41 at both the north and south entrances to the town, Dittrick suggested the inclusion of discretionary uses. "It could be a mixed-use district, like Red Deer's Gasoline Alley, where businesses could have the highway frontage advantage." The highway overlay component includes design guidelines and standards.

An industrial/residential district was also added, for owner/operator businesses with a residential component.

The Land Use Bylaw will now go to another public hearing before receiving the final readings.

Presentation

Council also had another visitor last week. Don Schultz presented a \$1,000 cheque to council on behalf of Zarowny Motors, and said the donation is to go toward the water spray park. "Zarowny Motors asked me to thank council for developing the spray park, which is enjoyed by the whole area and visitors to the area." As a company, he said, Zarownys likes to assist the communities where its customers and their families reside.

Garbage Bylaw

Information received on the cost of residential garbage collection by private contractors was received too late to evaluate, and will be taken to the public works meeting for further discussion.

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Canada Day may see changes

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point's Canada Day Committee held the first meeting of 2013 on Jan. 10, and learned that there could be some changes in the near future.

Longtime secretary-treasurer Deanna Easthope announced her retirement from that position, and after some discussion, town recreation director Deena Smith indicated her willingness to step into the role, providing town council approves the change. Committee chair Bernice Capjack has also held that position for some years, and indicated that she would also like to find someone willing to take over the leadership, however no volunteers came forward to do so.

The first order of business each year is to apply for the federal grant, and Smith offered to prepare and submit the application.

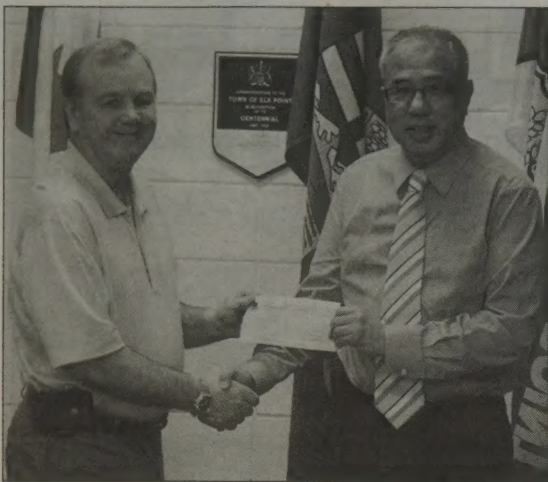
The committee went through the list of proposed activities for Monday, July 1, and made the first steps toward setting plans in motion. Maria Cueva will send an online

application for a Canadian Forces jet flyover, and will also make a tentative booking for bounce castles for the children's entertainment area. The bouncers were a huge success last year. She will also book the fireworks show.

With five and a half months to go, it is still early to approach performers for the afternoon stage show, but not too early to book the sound system for that and the Canada Day Idol competition. Smith will contact Rob Walker. Idol producer Dee Pankiw is already enthused about the continuation of that very popular feature of the day.

Production of a second annual Dare Challenge, may indeed be a challenge, as last year's organizer, Ron Harasiuk, is unavailable to organize it this year.

This year's Canada Day program may include a special commemorative event. Elk Point Historical Society is planning a 25th anniversary celebration for the Elk Point historical mural, and although no details have been finalized, the society is hoping to hold the event in conjunction with Canada Day. The next meeting has been set for Feb. 27.



Vicki Brooker photo

Don Schultz presented Mayor Parrish Tung with a donation from Zarowny Motors toward the Water Spray Park, which Zarownys sees as a big asset.

Council concerned with hospital staffing

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Hospital staffing

Mayor Parrish Tung said he had "received conflicting information" about the status of staffing at Elk Point Healthcare Centre, and said he hoped to find out more at the Health Advisory Council meeting on Thursday and to discuss the matter with Wendy Harrison, regional director of Alberta Health Services to clarify why the facility is short staffed.

Coun. Bernice Capjack noted a lack of communication with the community at large when the emergency department hours were cut temporarily.

Regional Water

The Regional Water Operating Agreement is still a bone of contention. Mayor Tung feels that the County of St. Paul has made changes to the definition regarding maintenance and checking of the water line, and recommended that council wait for clarification regarding these matters, "until we find out who's paying for what, and where the maintenance fund is coming from." He said that a capital reserve is needed "after the warranty is over," but felt that, "at 80 per cent for the town and 20 per cent for the county, we are at a disadvantage." The matter will be discussed further at the public works committee meeting if clarification is obtained regarding "what the changes mean to the town."

Mayors' caucus

Mayor Tung received council's approval to attend the upcoming Mayors' Caucus and an MLA Breakfast held in conjunction with it.

Canada Day

Recreation director Deena Smith reported that secretary-treasurer Deanna Easthope is retiring from the Canada Day committee and that the committee feels the celebration should become a town event under her department instead of the FCSS. She noted that she would require extra hours for paperwork and

wondered if the town could allot funding to cover that. Council agreed to discuss the matter further in camera and to advise her of their decision.

Office storage

A continually expanding accumulation of paperwork, records and documents has the town office looking for additional storage space. Council discussed whether this would mean disposing of items that no longer need to be kept, or adding on to the town office building. "As the town grows, we need more room," Mayor Tung agreed.

Economic Development

Coun. Dwayne Yaremkevich reported that the economic development committee would like the town to advertise for an economic development position. "The are looking for a university student or someone new in the area for a four-month part time posi-

tion and to help with research," and are developing a "more down-to-earth job description."

"We have to have a job description before we can advertise," the mayor said, adding, "the town is rolling on very well without (an EDO). Maybe what the EDO has to do is changed."

"Specifically, what do they want this person to do?" questioned Deputy Mayor Eugene Buck.

"They would like someone to come in and update what Bob (Bezpalco) did," town manager Myron Goyan said, "to do some promotional material and to be creative and computer literate."



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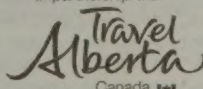
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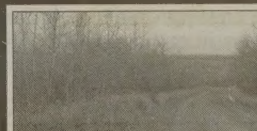
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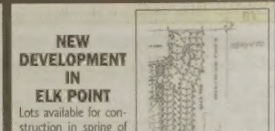
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EDITORIAL

Congratulations Oilmen!

Congratulations to the Elk Point Oilmen's Association on the 30th anniversary of their annual bonspiel. This event has continued through the boom years and the years when layoffs and cutbacks made life in the 'patch a major challenge for employers and workers. Some years have had more participants than others, but big or small, it's always been a roaring success.

Way Back When...

Doctors needed, lease increase, rising costs

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 22 IN...

1988

Figure skaters Elisabeth Ludlage and Shauna Loughran were off to the Alberta Winter Games in Red Deer after winning gold and silver respectively in the Juvenile Ladies class at the North East Alberta Winter Games. Larger centres "where they don't have to be on call every third night" attract doctors away from towns the size of Elk Point. Dr. Frank Estey told the chamber of commerce when he and hospital board members John Williams and Marvin Bjornstad came to their meeting to discuss the need for more doctors.

1993

Elk Point Surface Rights Association and Amoco Canada Petroleum came to an agreement over Phase 2 of Amoco's Elk Point project, with landowners to receive a \$500 per well increase in rental if they accept a variable lease compensation option. Two accidents causing injury to four individuals occurred within a half hour, with the rescue van responding to the first crash rear-ending a vehicle that braked suddenly in front of it and sending it into the ditch.

1998

Former MLA, school trustee, municipal councillor and county reeve John Drobot passed away suddenly at the age of 71 at his beloved Wagon Wheel Ranch in the Stoney Lake hills. Visions of palm trees danced in the heads of the Elk Point Lioness Club as they made their first draw of the year in the Trip of the Month Club, with the week in Waikiki going to Marie Buck.

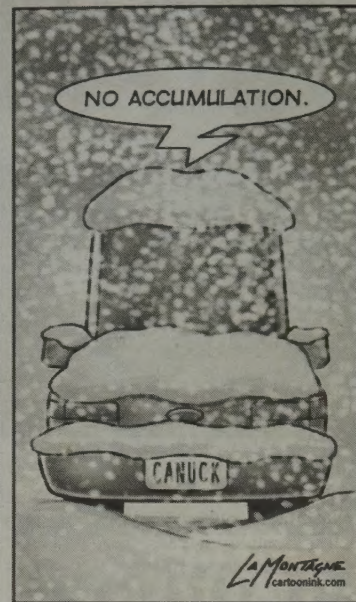
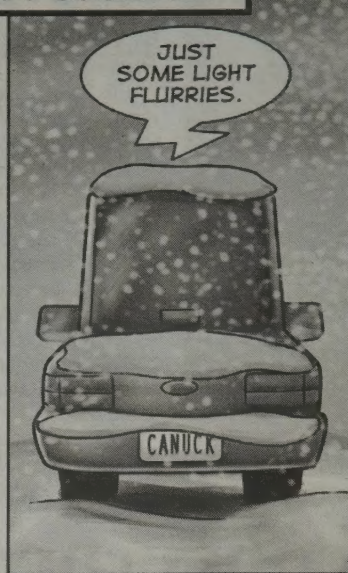
2003

Town council started off the year by taking a strong stand in dealing with the rising costs of providing water, sewer and garbage collection, which could have resulted in a total deficit or more than \$60,000 for the three services, and voted to implement a \$5 increase per month for water and sewer and a \$3 increase for garbage collection to offset increases in costs. Elk Point Girls Storm hockey team won the 'A' side of their home tournament, defeating Wainwright.

2008

Planning was already underway to welcome the David Thompson Bicentennial Canoe Brigade, scheduled to arrive May 17 on a voyage commemorating Thompson's triumphant 1808 trip to report the discovery of Howse Pass to the North West Company in Thunder Bay, ON. New ideas were already abundant for the 2008 Christmas Extravaganza, with chamber vice-president Shirley Harms noting that the event had been ongoing continuously for more than 20 years and with a lot of money spent in the community each year during the event, thanks to its organizers.

TYPICAL CANADIAN FORECAST



GUEST COLUMN

Unspoken words

The month of January is almost over and we talk about winter, yet we don't want to talk about winter. Thus when we receive some nice warm days during the month of January without snow or wind, we express happy thoughts.

Speaking of words spoken or not spoken, some time ago I picked up a couple of books - one was called "Incredible Urban Legends" and the other was called: "Incredible Silly Signs". Both of these books give examples of what is strange when possible words are omitted in stories or on signs.

There is a story about an undiscovered genius. When late for a math lecture, student Joe Scott saw what he assumed were that week's homework equations written on the blackboard. He quickly noted them down and worked on them for a week before handing them back to the professor. After the professor has studied them for a week he calls the student to a meeting to discuss having his work published. It turns out the equations were not homework assignments, but examples of problems previously thought to be unsolvable that the professor had been using as examples in a lecture. Oh my! That is an example of not hearing words spoken because the student was late for class.

Another story called "Running Robbery" refers to a person making a decision before hearing words that might have made a difference. Out jogging one day, Matt Trevors was bumped by another jogger. Annoyed, Matt became enraged when he discovered that his wallet was missing. Determined not to take this, he took off after the other jogger. After catching up with him, Matt tackled him to the ground, yelling: "Give me the wallet!" Frightened, the thief complied and then took off. Arriving home, Matt apologized to his wife for being late, assuring her that he had a good excuse. But before he can fill her in, she surprises him by replying, "I know - you left your wallet on the table."

The last story I will quote is called "Signing Off". When Paul Ellis got back to his car, which he had left in a car park

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in Luton, UK, he was dismayed to notice that one side of the vehicle was badly scratched and dented. Noticing a note tucked beneath the windscreen wipers, he breathed a sigh of relief, thinking that the culprit had left their details so he could claim on their insurance. However, what the note said was something very different. "Dear Driver, I have just run into your car and made a hell of a mess of it. As a crowd has gathered, I am forced to appear as writing you this note to apologize and to leave you my name and address. As you can see, however, I have not done so."

Oh those unspoken words! In the book titled "Incredible Silly Signs", many examples are given where it is assumed the reader will put in appropriate words and make the message meaningful. For example one Safari Park notice sign reads: "Elephants please stay in your car". Oh my, I didn't know elephants could read! In a maternity ward in Florida a sign reads: "No children allowed" Oh my, what happens when a baby is born? On a US highway a sign reads: "Take Notice: When this sign is under water the road is impassable". Oh my, why would a person be driving on the road if it is under water? Then there is a sign outside a UK town hall which reads: "The town hall is closed until opening. It will remain closed after being opened." Oh my, what is the message here? On an office kitchen in London, a sign is posted which states: "After tea break staff should empty the teapot and stand upside down on the draining board" O.K. I know with this sign one can assume it refers to the teapot and not the staff person being required to stand upside down on the draining board. Then there is a sign with a sense of humour. "These ear plugs are non toxic, but may interfere with breathing if caught in windpipe"

Oh the words not spoken or assumed spoken! After all it is the middle of January and we are in the middle of winter so I thought just maybe you might appreciate reading something you could laugh about. There has been much research that indicates that laughter is indeed the best medicine. More health-care professionals are finding that laughter helps to lower blood pressure, boost the immune system, and reduce stress hormones while triggering the release of endorphins, the body's natural painkillers. The bottom line is that laughter helps to produce a wonderful sense of well-being.

So there you go. I hope everyone can laugh about unspoken words in the middle of winter.

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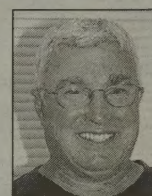
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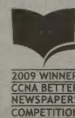
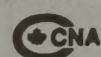


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Rural crime focus of Thursday meeting

By JANANI WHITFIELD
Review Contributor

St. Paul RCMP's Staff Sgt. Wade Trottier took the time to talk to Rural Crime Watch members at the group's meeting at the St. Paul Legion Hall last Thursday, about some of the crime seen in the County of St. Paul and what they, as residents, could do to help RCMP.

For whatever reason, in the last three years, there has been a "sizable increase" in the number of calls to RCMP from within the county, he said, adding that this could be because the RCMP is doing a better job of tracking these statistics.

Most often, these deal with requests to respond to traffic collisions or complaints about things such as suspicious vehicles or impaired driving, he said. RCMP also do get calls to incidences of what he called "true crime," as he noted, "We have a fair number of assaults in the county." On the more positive side, he noted the local RCMP does not have "serious issues" with property crimes or break and enters in the rural area.

Trottier also entertained questions from the members who were present, with Anna Leski bringing up a Jan. 3 grow-op bust, in which RCMP seized about 1,800 marijuana plants from a rural residence.

"That just blew everyone away," said Leski, asking what, if anything, members of the public should be looking for in terms of such suspicious activity.

Trottier noted that sometimes, people buy rural prop-

erties solely because illicit activity is less likely to be noticed there. In the case of the recent grow-op bust, it would probably be "extremely difficult" for a member of the public to have noticed the activity, he said. RCMP have also found other cases of drug trafficking in the rural areas, and have made a couple of busts in places such as Crestview Beach, Trottier said, adding that people might notice a higher amount of traffic in residences and of people that may look suspicious coming and going on a regular basis.

"We really do rely on the public," he said, adding that an anonymous tip did help lead to the grow-op bust.

Another member noted that based on where he lived, if there was an incident at his property, it could take Elk Point RCMP 40 minutes to an hour to respond. He asked what he could do in that situation, adding, "How far can

I go to protect myself?"

Trottier said the first course of action in that situation was to be cautious, and to get to a safe location and call RCMP first. "Your safety has to come before anything," RCMP from neighbouring detachments can, and often do, respond to such cases if needed, he said.

"You have a right to defend your property," he said, adding that people must show a "reasonable use of force" in their self-defense.

In the case of a break and enter, when a person was at home, often all it would take to get rid of the offender is to shout a warning at them to "Get out" with a threat to call the police, he noted.

While the group's annual general meeting was to take place on the evening, with only a handful of members in attendance, those gathered decided to postpone the AGM until their upcoming February meeting.

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HIGHLIGHTS

January 15, 2013 Council Meeting

Agreement with Frog Lake Minor Sports - Council will be entering into an agreement with Frog Lake Minor Sports to use the Whitney Lake Ball Diamonds and the Rodeo Grounds for 2013. Frog Lake has agreed to do some work to the ball diamonds, bleachers and rodeo chutes in exchange for use of the grounds. If there are other groups interested in renting the grounds for a weekend, it may be arranged with County Administration providing it does not conflict with Frog Lake's schedule of events.

Planning and Development - Council gave first reading to Bylaw Nos. 2013-01 and 2013-02. Bylaw 01 is to rezone 4.89 hectares in PSW 25-57-7-W4 from Agricultural to Industrial/Commercial so the owner can build a shop for industrial use. Bylaw 02 is to rezone 5.14 hectares in PSW 7-58-8-W4 from Agricultural to Country Residential (2) as the owner wishes to subdivide the property and the existing zoning does not allow a 5.14 hectare parcel to be subdivided from the parcel. Council also approved Bylaw 1620 to rezone PNW 34-57-9-W4 from Urban Expansion to Country Residential (2) so the existing parcel can be subdivided into 2 parcels.

Strategic Plans - The 4th quarter update to the 2012 Strategic Plan is now complete and can be viewed on the County's website.

2013 Salary Approval - A \$100 increase to the Health Spending Account will be implemented for all FTE and Council members who are eligible for benefits and a \$50 increase for part time or seasonal employees effective July 1st. County employees will see market increases to their salaries of approximately 2% - the amount varies among employees based on provincial survey and market pressures.

County Library Board - Council approved the recommended budget of the County Library Board, which keeps the County's contribution the same as last year, but allows for \$4,000 increase to local libraries. The Council committed to review additional funding for the Library Board based on requests by both the St. Paul and Elk Point libraries, which they have referred to municipal budget discussions.

Family School Liaison Worker - The St. Paul Regional Educational Division requested that the County of St. Paul increase their funding of the Family School Liaison Worker program. Council referred this item to their budget discussions.

Assessment Appeal Fees - Appeal fees have been increased to \$50 per parcel for residential and farmland and \$200 per parcel for non-residential for County of St. Paul residents only. This increase does not affect the other municipalities that make up the Regional Assessment Review Board as they all have their own fee schedule. If the ratepayer is successful with their appeal, the fee may be refunded at the discretion of the Assessment Review Board.

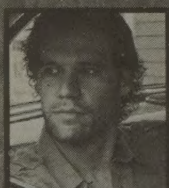
Mutual Fire Aid Agreement - Council approved an updated Mutual Fire Aid Agreement with the MD of Bonnyville. The Agreement formalizes the rights and obligations for the supply of fire suppression services between the neighboring municipalities.

Ashmont / Lottie Lake Water System - Work should be complete by the end of February to allow for water to flow from Ashmont to Lottie Lake utilizing the new water transmission line that was installed in the summer of 2012. Engineers are currently working on the design of the new Water Treatment Plant in Ashmont which is expected to be constructed in 2013 for operation in early 2014. Residents in Lottie Lake will be getting new water meters installed between January 28 and February 15, 2013. These new meters will have the ability to be read electronically by having the staff drive through the community to collect meter reads. Lottie Lake residents will have to contact Utility Administrative staff to arrange a time to have their water meter changed.

Funding

- \$1,000 - Transportation Grant for Mallaig & District Sr. Citizens Club
- \$300 - St. Paul Junior Curling Association

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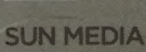
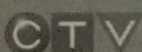
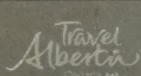
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Eight was enough for Atom 'B' in Cold Lake

Eight is enough! At least it was on Saturday when the Atom 'B' team traveled to Cold Lake with only eight players in the lineup including the goalie and took a commanding three-goal lead half way into the second period. The Avalanche, running on fumes by this time, would eventually power out, the Freeze with three full lines taking advantage of this, scoring four unanswered goals and taking a one goal lead. But the Avalanche not to be outdone on this day and battled right back, the "Stafford Streak" Jace Stafford would carry the puck end to end scoring his second of the game to tied the game up, the final score 4 all. The "Streak" also added an assist on a goal by Matthew Quinney, who scored his first goal of the year. The big power forward "Danny Boy" Cardinal also lighting the lamp with one, assisted on another and obviously needing a break, he also spent some time in the penalty box. Goaltender Ronan "Radar" Poulin was on fire, the last five to ten minutes the play was mostly in the Avalanche end of the rink but "Radar" was standing on his head and played



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spectacular, along with the help of his other friends, defense partners Brandon "Bart" Schaap and Brandon Goertzen, and the fore checking forwards "Sexy Slader" Hardcastle and Colby McQuinn.

Down in the Novice division on Sunday, goalie Brady Hymanyk was also a standout against Two Hills, blanking them and getting his second shutout of the year. The speedy "Mic Jager" Fontaine scooting around with a hat trick, Odin "the Wall" Smith with his wicked shot from the point scoring two from the blue line and ringing one off the crossbar. Luke "Sky Walker" Poulin walked around the defense and deposited a couple as well. Lenae Pebbles with two helpers, Josef Theriault and the Warawa sisters. Rylee "the Rocket" and Avery "Whirlwind" on the score sheet as well with assists.

The day before, on Saturday morning the Novice hosted Mallaig, the outcome was not quite as successful, the Avalanche losing this one, but not by very much. "Sky Walker" and "Mic Jager" with hat tricks, "Whirlwind" adding one. Lenae Pebbles, "the Special Lady" Jadey Capjack and Vanden "Mario" Moriziuk with the assists.

It was bitter cold Sunday morning when the Atom 'A' team hit the ice, winning an exhibition game 5 to 2 over Lloydminster. Evan "Not Even" Ockerman with two, Connor "Coast to Coast" Lychak, "Lightning Liam" Ludlage and Devon "Naz" Nazarchuk on the board with one each. But I think it's high time we mention the awesome play of the defense on this team. Charlie "Little Angel" Rogal, his brother "Hammering Hank" and the other tandem, "Sam I Am" Henderson and his sister "Raging Paige." It's the same story every week for these guys who battle in the trenches; there's never any glory! And of course let's not forget the goalie, Colton "B Train" Van Maarion; he's logged a lot of miles, in fact he's way over in his log book, but keeps on trucking every week, and has played solid between the pipes all season. Tomorrow

night the Atom 'A' team will be hosting St. Paul in their first game of provincial round robin, right here at 7:30. Come out and cheer the boys (and girl) on!!!!

Yes, it's provincial time of the year again and the Pee wee boys are out of the gate in fine fashion, winning over St. Paul in the first game of the first round 8 to 2 Friday night in St. Paul. The second game was scheduled for tonight, but St. Paul, seeing the writing on the wall has subsequently thrown in the towel and forfeited playing the second game. The pee wees will now have a bye into the third round and wait for the winner of the other series, either Redwater, Vegreville or Vermillion. "Awesome Alex" Hunter with four of the goals, "the Big O" Brody Odgaard with two goals and an assist, Nicholas Tucker and the "Warrior" Warren Ference both finding the twine with one. Dustyn "Dust Pan" Pankiw with two assists, Kaiden "K Rock" Evans Anderson with one.

That's a big 10-4 good buddy! Sorry, that's a big 12-4, not so good buddy! Sunday afternoon in Mannville while it was bitter cold on the outside at -25 C, the Pee wee Avalanche suffered a third period melt down inside. The Avalanche had a 3 to 2 lead after 40 minutes, but,, the final score was 12 to 4 for Mannville. Nicholas Tucker with two goals, "Dust Pan" and Chase Dorey with one each, "the Big O" with two helpers, "Awesome Alex" and Spencer Hardcastle both with an assist.

Word from the west has been received that tells us a former Elk Point Minor Hockey player was recently named Vaughn Canadian Hockey League's Goaltender of the Week. Brett Zarowny of the Prince George Cougars was honoured for the week ending Dec. 16 after posting a 2-1-0-0 record including a shutout victory with a goals-against-average of 1.00 and save percentage of .968.

The son of Kendall and Michelle Zarowny stopped 91 shots in three games backstopping the Cougars to a pair of wins against the Vancouver Giants including a 6-0 victory where he recorded his second career shutout with 23 saves as the game's second star, then made 35 saves in the following game as first star of the 2-1 win. Zarowny also claimed first star honours earlier that week despite a tough 2-0 loss to the Swift Current Broncos making 33 saves.

Zarowny, a 17-year-old rookie from Edson, AB, had an 8-7-0-0 record with the Cougars at that point in the season. He ranked third among WHL rookie goaltenders with a goals-against-average of 2.97 and second in save percentage with a mark of .910.

And now for the K.A.Campbell quote of the week. "Individual commitment to a group effort - that is what makes a team work" Last week's answer to: "The strength of the group is the strength of the leaders." -Vince Lombardi. Have a sports scoop? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com

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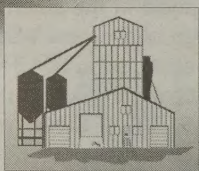
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Malanka

(Continued from Front Page)

Fall saw Baba raking leaves and preparing to take dinner to Gido in the harvest field as she reminisced about the old days, when crops were harvested by hand. A graceful Sickle Dance by the Senior Girls brought The Four Seasons to a fitting end.

The performance wound up with the Poltava Tanets, danced by the Junior II group, a lively Hutzul Duet by Abby Baker and Jayden Plaska, and the traditional Hopak, danced by the ensemble's largest group, the Intermediates. The Intermediate group is made up of Christopher Boratynec, Katelyn Boratynec, Macey Drobot, Paige Henderson, Sam Henderson, Mickail Pilisko, Kaylee Poitras, Emma Poulin, Hank Rogal and Ty Smereka.



Swirling snowflakes, high flying dancers, carrot-stealing bunnies, snow-people builders and feats of strength and agility were all on display at Malanka, as Metelytsia Dance Ensemble performed under the guidance of their instructor Debbie Kachmar-Potter.



Town of Elk Point recreation coordinator Deena Smith shared a few pictures from the Community Bus trip on Jan. 5 to the Oil Kings game, and says, "We had a great time. I have also booked future trips to Jubilations on Feb.23 (The Big Boom Theory) and May 4 (My Big Fat Edmonton Wedding) Everyone that attended give the trip rave reviews, so I believe these types of trips will continue. Families can enjoy a trip without having to stress about getting to an event like this. The community action bus takes the stress away!"

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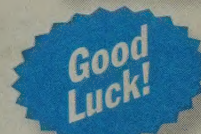
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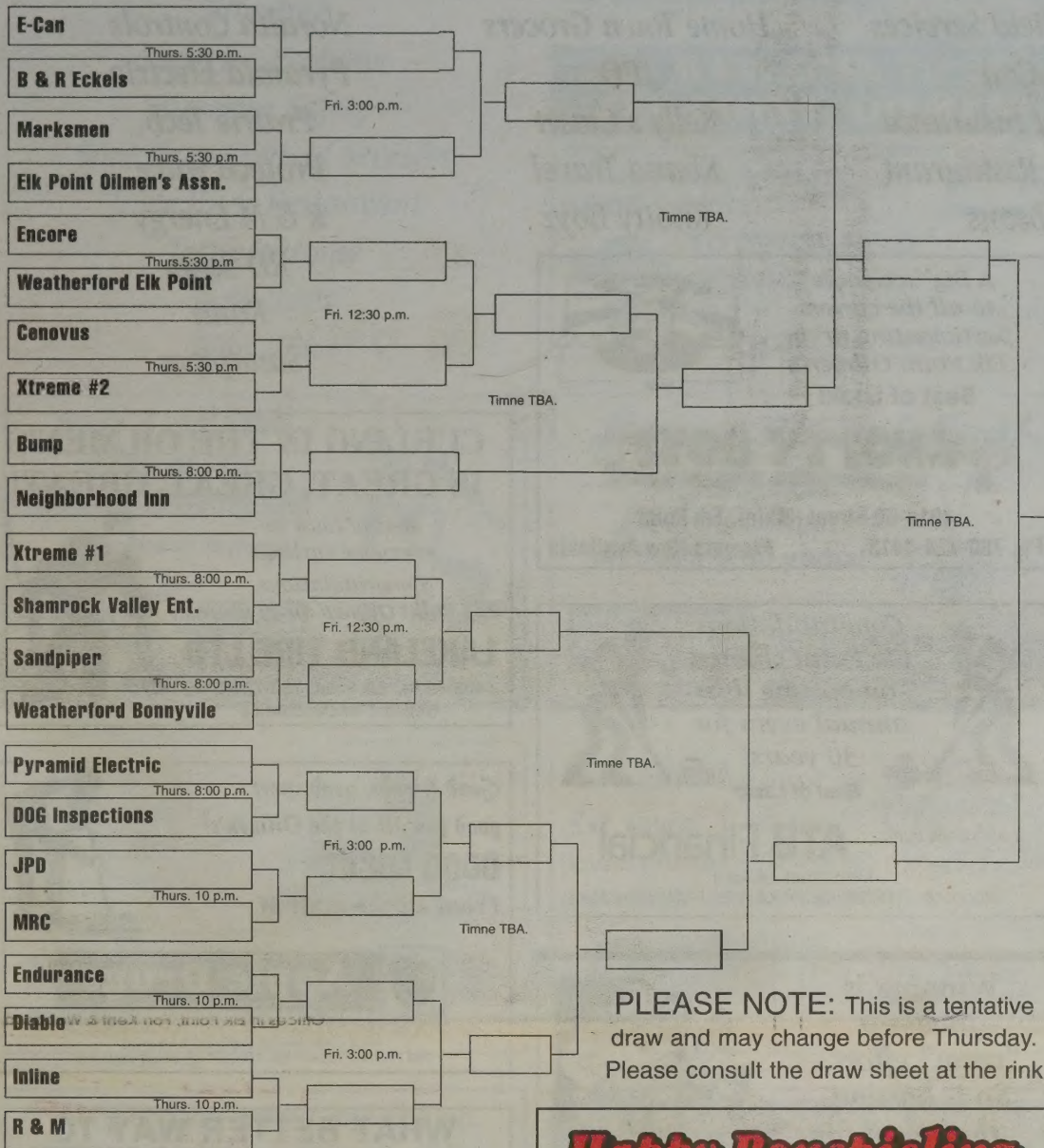
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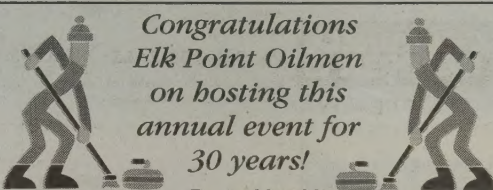
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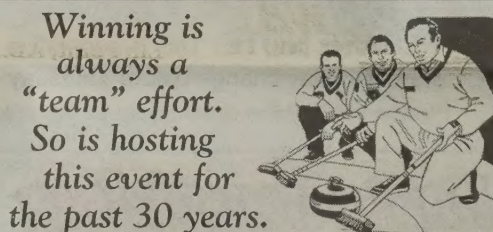
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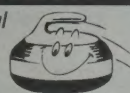
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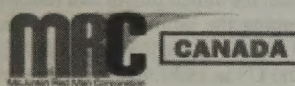


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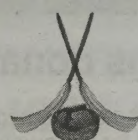


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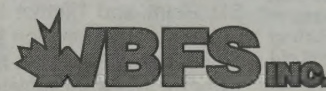
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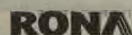
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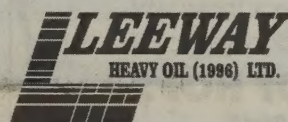
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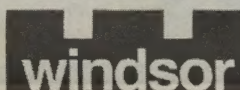
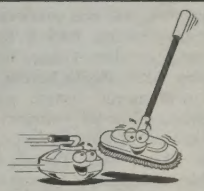
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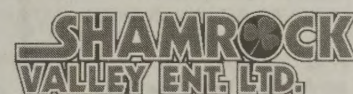
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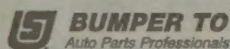
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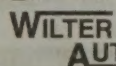


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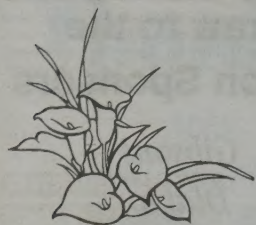


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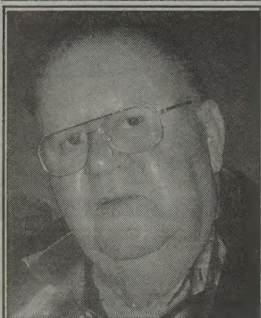
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OBITUARY

YOUNG, Gary



On January 17, 2013, Mr. Gary Young of Elk Point passed away at the age of 78 years.

He is survived by the mother of his children, Lyn; 2 sons & 2 daughters, Lorne (Terry Shankowski) Young of Elk Point, David (Laurel) Young of Calgary, Kelly (John) D'Eath of Calgary & Tamara Young of Cold Lake; 6 grandchildren, Bradley, Jeffrey, Stephanie, Scott, Jacob & Katherine; brother, Donald (Karen) Young of Sherwood Park; sister-in-law, Adele Young of Calgary; numerous nieces & nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Earl & Estella Young; brother, Glenn Young; sister-in-law, Phyllis Young.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, February 2 at 2:00 p.m. at Allied Arts Centre, Elk Point with Pastor Kelly Sibley officiating. Cremation has taken place. If desired, donations may be made to Haying in the 30's Cancer Support Society or charity of one's choice c/o 5626 - 51 Street, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A1. To send condolences online, please visit www.gracegardensfuneralchapel.com.

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Elk Point and District Lions, here represented by Leonard Gadowski, recently made a \$700 donation to be used for the purchase of a recliner chair, to be used anywhere in Elk Point Healthcare Centre. Mary Bezpalko, Donna Fedorus, Anna Robertson, Fern Sinclair and Jean McGinnis try out the new addition.

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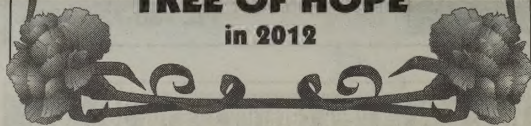


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Churches prepare for World Day of Prayer

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Five local churches have begun their preparations for the ecumenical World Day of Prayer service on Friday, March 1.

Representatives of Elk Point Christian Community Church, Elk Point United Church, Elk Point Ukrainian Catholic Church, St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church and St. Vladymir's Ukrainian Orthodox Church met January 10 at the Christian Community Church to begin planning the annual event.

The World Day of Prayer dates back to the 19th century in Canada and the United States, when Christian women developed a variety of activities supporting women's involvement in missions at home and in other parts of the world. Their concern for the wellbeing of women and children, their encouragement of both personal and communal prayer and their vision of Christian unity led them to organize the interdenominational Council of Women for Home Missions in 1908. After the end of World War I, women from five denominations met for united prayer and renewed their efforts for unity, forming the Women's Inter Church Council of Canada, which organized the first National Days of Prayer in Canada and the US in 1920. In 1922, the event was held the same day on both sides of the border for the first time, and in 1927, the call to prayer went worldwide for the first World Day of Prayer.

International involvement has seen a theme chosen and the annual service prepared and written by the women of various lands around the world - Guyana, Papua New Guinea, Cameroon and Chile, to name a few. Last year's service was written by the women of Malaysia, with the theme, "Let Justice Prevail," and this year's theme, "I was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me" is the foundation of a service written by the women of France. The same service will be led by ecumenical groups of women around the world on March 1, continuing the bond established so many years ago.

In preparation for this year's service, an ecumenical Bible study is being held at the Elk Point United Church from 10 a.m. to noon each Tuesday morning in February, under the leadership of Judith Valleau, focusing on Leviticus 19: 1-3 and 33-37 and/or Matthew 25: 31-46. All are welcome to attend.

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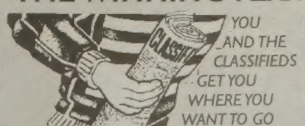
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New name, new focus for festival

By Vicki Brooker

Review Staff

One of the most popular summer events at Fort George and Buckingham House Provincial Historic Site will have a new name and a new focus in 2013, as the former Saskatoon Festival becomes the Bears and Berries Festival.

The event is slated for Saturday, July 20.

Ideas flew thick and fast as the Friends of the Forts discussed the new concept at their January 10 meeting, with a "Teddy Bears' Picnic" suggested as entertainment for the youngsters in attendance.

Saskatoon pie will still be the featured treat for visitors to enjoy, but site program coordinator Ross Stromberg points out that the new name pays tribute to the many varieties of berries that are in abundance in midsummer.

A summer craft fair is another traditional part of the event, and with the new focus, Stromberg says vendors featuring bear-themed crafts or products will not be charged a table rental fee.

The first special event at the Forts will once again be the Riverland Challenge, this year taking place on Saturday, May 25. Planning is already underway, and details will be announced as soon as they become available.

Stromberg took the opportunity to thank the Friends for their contributions to the site, in time and effort during the past year. He is chugging along through his winter schedule, which involves one outreach program and making presentations at two teachers' conventions. He is also preparing to advertise for interpretive staff for the site in the near future.

Work is also proceeding on the narrative history of the Forts, and Stromberg feels this will be a very interesting and informative volume which will give its readers new insight into life during the fur trade.

County council discusses importance of libraries

By JANICE HUSER

Review Contributor

County of St. Paul Coun. Dwight Dach spoke about the importance of libraries, following a request for the county to increase its funding to local libraries that came up at last week's regular council meeting, Jan. 15.

"I think we've got to step up to the plate a little bit," said Dach.

Municipalities of a similar size to the County of St. Paul provide a provincial average of \$25 per capita in library support, said CAO Sheila Kitz. Currently, the county supports libraries at about \$6 per capita.

Reeve Steve Upham asked if the county was ever at provincial average, to which Coun. Maxine Fodness said she believe the county has always lagged behind. A continual need to upgrade technology within the libraries keeps costs up, added Coun. Cliff Martin.

"I think if we want them, and we believe in them, we need to support it," said Coun. Glen Ockerman. It was noted that a lot of people from St. Paul have been using the Elk Point Library because of the resources available there.

"It's too big for us to make a decision (today)," said Upham. Council agreed to bring the item to the upcoming budget meeting. The reeve admitted that he was unaware of how much the county was lagging behind the provincial average.

FSLW funding

A letter was received from St. Paul Education Regional Division regarding increased funding for the division's Family Support Liaison Worker program. The total operating costs for the program is \$704,000 or \$740 per case, heard council.

SPERD is asking the county to increase funding to \$30,000 for the 2013-14 school year.

The county's FCSS department has already decided to support a self-esteem program in local schools. Fodness expressed concern over the idea of the county's FCSS department supporting a self-esteem program rather than the FSLW program. She said she was concerned about students who might require counseling services and might not be able to access it if funding isn't available.

"Every dollar we don't give them ultimately comes out of the classroom," said Upham. Two years ago, the county gave the program \$20,000 and in 2012, it gave the program \$10,000.

Coun. Frank Sloan made a motion to

bring the item to the upcoming budget meeting.

Sports requests

After discussing a request for financial assistance to support two Lakeland volleyball teams, council decided the request fell outside of its policy and denied it. Council does support teams that qualify for provincial tournaments, but this request was seeking support for the club in general and funds to attend regular tournaments, heard council.

Martin noted that there are a lot of sports teams and clubs in the area and the county cannot be supporting every group for every tournament attended.

Ockerman made a motion to deny a request from the St. Paul Junior Curling Association to support the club with a donation to purchase prizes for their upcoming bonspiel. However, council instead chose to support a subsequent motion by Martin to approve a donation of \$300.

Later in the meeting council also received a request from a local team competing at the Alberta Firefighter Curling Provincials in Ellerslie. Council supported the event last year because it was hosted in St. Paul, but decided to deny this year's request because it fell outside the county's policy.

Frog Lake

Stan Olson, a consultant with Frog Lake, spoke to council last week about the community using the Whitney Lake ball diamonds and rodeo grounds to host its baseball program, tournaments, some rodeo events and possibly expanding its 4-H program.

Frog Lake would like to invest and make necessary improvements to the diamonds and the rodeo grounds starting in early spring. "Anything we do is a gift. We're not taking anything with us," said Olson.

Ockerman said he was happy to see the grounds being used. However, he has heard people say they don't want to see any camping take place at the grounds since there are campgrounds nearby, and ratepayers also don't want to see any alcohol being consumed on-site.

Olson seemed receptive to both concerns. Councillors also voiced concern about ratepayers who might want to use the grounds too. Olson said he could give the county a schedule of the events being hosted at the grounds by Frog Lake and said he was very open to having other people host events at the site.

Council carried a motion to enter into

an agreement with Frog Lake Minor Sports.

Fence posts

Lac Sante residents Charles Biollo and Sonia Yanushak took time to speak to council regarding a motion made at a previous council meeting to take down some posts at the Paziuk subdivision. The posts were put in place to stop vehicles from driving on the shore of the lake.

The county decided to remove the posts because they didn't feel it was right to restrict some people's access to the location, which is a popular spot for people to launch their boats.

Biollo and Yanushak said they have seen many vehicles get stuck in the location and have also witnessed people driving to the location in the middle of the night. They say the pathway is getting busier in the summer months.

"It's not a matter of if but when something's going to happen," said Biollo of the traffic in the area. He also noted he had environmental concerns about vehicles driving on the Environmental Reserve and said the noise created by the traffic impedes his "quiet enjoyment of the lake."

Biollo said he couldn't speak for every resident at the lake, but felt his sentiments were shared by most of the lake-front property owners in the subdivision.

Fodness said most of the residents she spoke to either want no posts, or want to see a gate installed. Some of council voiced opposition to the idea of having a gate that could only be accessed by select lot owners.

Council didn't make any new motions following the delegation. Similar situations have been noted in other parts of the county and people policed the situations themselves, "and the parties eventually stopped," said Public Works Superintendent Leo deMoissac.

Water

The towers that will be used to allow the Ashmont and Lottie Lake water treatment plants to communicate with each other should be in place by the end of February.

Letters were sent out to affected residents near the proposed towers. Kitz also told council the permit to transfer water from Ashmont to Lottie Lake should be in place by the end of February.

The water meters for Lottie Lake residents have also been received and will be installed soon, said the CAO.

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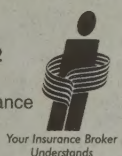
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Elk Point 4-H Beef report

By ROY AND HEIDI TYMKO
Elk Point 4-h Beef Club.

On Dec 15 we had our meeting at the Lupul's home. That afternoon they hosted a toboggan Party and wiener roast. The members had fun tobogganing and sliding done on the big tarp along with all the moms!! We had lots of fun.

Our beef club also participated in Elk

Points Big Give Day on Dec 13. On Dec 19 4-H members helped the Elk Point Community Loins with wrapping, sorting and packing for the Santa's Anonymous Program.
Our next meeting is Jan. 20 at Pinder's home. Our speech day will be on Tuesday Jan 29 at 7 p.m, at the Elks Hall in the Lodge Room. Come out and watch the 4-H members



Elk Point 4-H Beef Club members had fun tobogganing at the Lupul home after their pre-Christmas meeting.

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Many hands made light work as the 4-H members and parents pitched in to help the Elk Point Community Lions with their Santas Anonymous program.

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